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9/11 toll continues

Sad ending. Adan Gonzalez, who volunteered for two years at Ground Zero died recently from throat cancer. **Latest of many.** He's one of the 1,300 who have died from Sept. 11-related illnesses in the last decade. **Tragedy.** Many responders are ill after toiling in the toxic dust surrounding the attack site.

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'Into Darkness': A franchise goes down in a blaze of **BORING**

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Zachary Quinto puts the "Vulcan" in volcano. / PHOTO COURTESY OF PARAMOUNT PICTURES

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3 Bette Midler-themed show will benefit Sandy-wrecked trees

Quoted

"He put his life on the line without expecting anything in return."

PAOLA GONZALEZ

Neighborhood fight

Bloomberg defends plan for Queens soccer stadium

Mayor Michael Bloomberg defended plans to build a soccer stadium in Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, saying green space in Queens is not "irreplaceable,"

the New York Post reports.

Major League Soccer is expected to announce plans soon for a 25,000-seat stadium that will sit on 13 acres.

A new park that will soon replace old Flushing Airport will make up for the loss of green space, the mayor added.

LAURA SHIN

After Sandy

NJT heavily redacts storm documents

Amid growing questions as to the New Jersey Transit's readiness for the havoc wreaked by Hurricane Sandy, WNYC requested storm preparedness plans NJT purported to have had



Flooding hits Atlantic City.
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in advance of the storm.

The agency complied, sending a three-page document, but all pages are blacked out.

A spokesman for NJT told WNYC redactions were necessary due to "recent events including the uncovering of an Al Qaeda-led terrorist plot targeting rail service."

DANIELLE TCHOLAKIAN

9/11 volunteer joins list of 1,300 who have died

Tragic ending.

The photographer volunteered at Ground Zero for two years before dying recently of throat cancer.

By the time officials said Ground Zero toxins might have caused cancer, Adan Gonzalez was already dying from his.

Gonzalez, 69, died last month from throat cancer, which his daughter Paola Gonzalez said he had developed after two years of volunteering at Ground Zero. More than a decade after the attack, many 9/11 responders are ill after spending months and years toiling in the toxic dust surrounding the attack site.

So many contracted



Adan stands by his daughter, Paola Gonzalez. / PAOLA GONZALEZ

Too much red tape

Long time volunteer

Adan Gonzalez, a photographer for more than 45 years, volunteered with the Red Cross at Ground Zero, giving out food and taking photos for the aid group.

"He loved his country," she said.

In June, she'll head to Washington, D.C., hoping to talk to politicians about ending the red tape she said added to her father's suffering.

Her father "was getting the run around" during his illness, she said. Years after Zadroga was passed, others told Metro they had not received funds.

cancer — a study last month found responders have a 15 percent higher rate of cancer; 2012 data showed an average age of 44 — that the Zadroga Act, a fund that compensates people who are sick, announced 50 covered cancers in September.

But Gonzalez, his daughter said, was already sick — he received his diagnosis that same month.

His story, she said, is "all too familiar" for 9/11 responders.

John Feal, who runs the FealGood Foundation that assists responders, told Metro 1,300 have died and the number is climbing.

Just last week, the names of five officers who died — most under age 50 — from 9/11-related diseases were added to a memorial wall at One Police Plaza.



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Quinn talks struggles in memoir



Christine Quinn will release a memoir next month. / GETTY IMAGES

Before she entered politics, City Council Speaker Christine Quinn struggled with bulimia and alcoholism.

Quinn opened up about those experiences in an interview with the New York Times, and is expected to talk about them publicly at Barnard College on Tuesday.

Quinn's mother was dying of breast cancer when she was 16 years old, the speaker

told the Times. Quinn spent every morning waking her mother, bathing her, making her breakfast and giving her medication.

When it was too overwhelming for the teen to handle, she would binge on ice cream and corn muffins — and then make herself throw up.

The habit continued for 10 years until she sought help at the age

of 26.

"I just want people to know you can get through stuff," she told the Times. "I hope people can see that in what my life has been and where it is going."

The speaker reached out to the Times to share her experience. She will also touch upon the issues in a memoir that is scheduled to be published next month.

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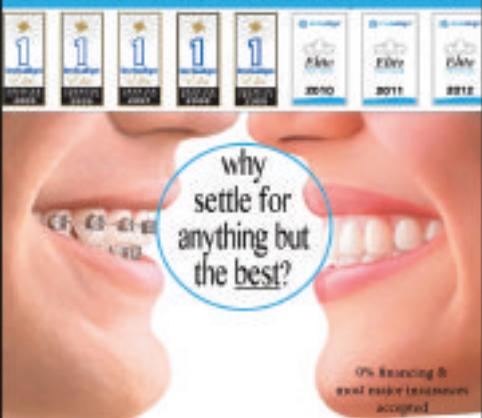
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Bronx woman charged with Sandy Hook fraud

Taking advantage.

Nouel Alba was arrested for fraud for pretending to be a Sandy Hook relative.

She posed as the heartbroken aunt of a murdered child in one of the largest school shootings in U.S. history.

Cops accuse a 37-year-old Bronx woman of fraudulently collecting money that she said would help victims of the Sandy Hook massacre, but that instead went to her pockets.

Bronx district Attorney Robert Johnson announced yesterday that he had indicted Nouel Alba for fraud and identity theft.

Cops arrested Alba yesterday after a five-month



A memorial to Sandy Hook victims was created in Newtown, Conn. / GETTY IMAGES

investigation into her activities, officials said.

Prosecutors say that Alba used Facebook to collect cash, posting photographs of 6-year-old Noah Pozner, a victim of the attack.

Adam Lanza killed 20 schoolchildren, aged 6 and 7, plus six adults who

worked at the Sandy Hook Elementary in Newtown, Conn., on Dec. 14, 2012. The case shocked the country.

Alba said that she was Noah Pozner's aunt and asked for online donations to help pay for his funeral service, prosecutors allege.

Ultimately, she re-

ceived about \$240 within the week after the attack happened, sent to a PayPal account designated by Facebook.

Alba could face up to four years in jail.



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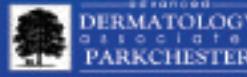


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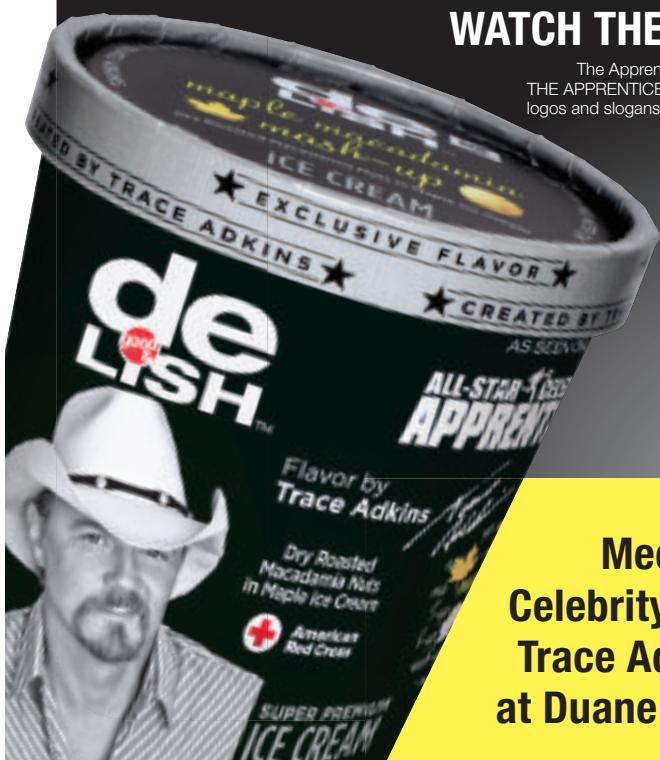


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Assault incident

Cops shoot suspect in accident

A man who is accused of physically assaulting two people was accidentally shot by police on Sunday after the suspect barricaded himself inside of an apartment.

Hassan King, 42, was shot when a door swung back on the lead investigator.

LAURA SHIN

Camelot

Kennedy to serve as juror

Caroline Kennedy will sit on a Manhattan jury in the trial of an accused crack dealer.

Kennedy was selected to serve as a juror in the state Supreme Court trial of Nelson Chatman, the Daily News reports.

LAURA SHIN



Prince Harry plays ball in Harlem

Prince Harry took part in a baseball clinic during the launch of a new partnership between the Royal Foundation of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge and Harlem RBI, a local community organization May 14 in the Harlem. Later in the day, he also toured storm-damaged parts of the New Jersey coast with Governor Chris Christie. / GETTY IMAGES

Scandal. Bloomberg declines to talk about company spying case

Case notes

- The scandal came to light after a complaint from Goldman Sachs about Bloomberg journalists accessing information about Goldman employees.
- The company has admitted at least one reporter got Goldman Sachs-related information through this terminal-accessed data.

According to a report from Talking Points Memo, Mayor Bloomberg was asked about the spying scandal at his former news company, Bloomberg, and told a reporter that he couldn't say anything due to "an agreement with the Conflict of Interests Board."

"You'll have to talk to the company," he said.

The scandal came to light after a complaint from Goldman Sachs about Bloomberg journalists accessing information about Goldman employees.

It turned out that Bloomberg reporters had been trained to use the terminals to track story subjects and were accessing data on staffers at J.P. Morgan Chase, as well as higher-ups at U.S. Treasury Department and Federal Reserve.

Mayor Bloomberg, who is no longer an ex-

ecutive at the company since he became mayor, was asked about the issue at a recent press conference.

He declined to discuss the matter, but when a second reporter asked, he replied, "I don't know what you're talking about, you'll have to talk to the company."

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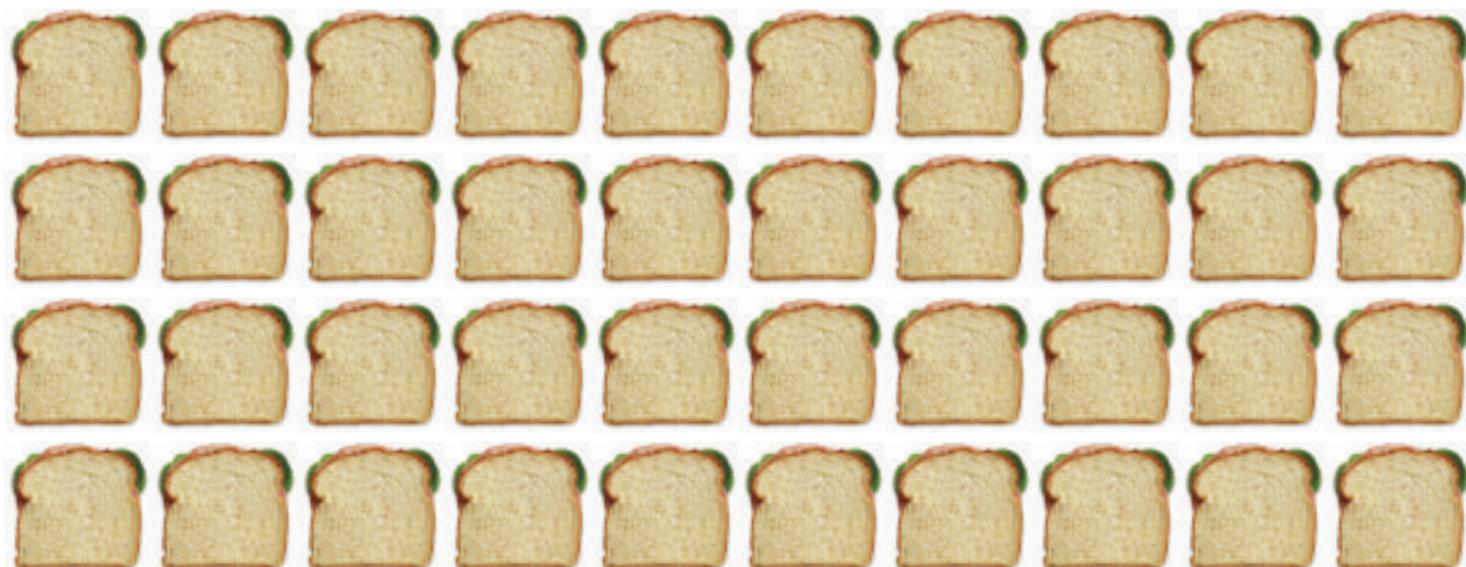
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Extortion. Lawyer exposes scam in the Orthodox community

Thanks to a Brooklyn lawyer, a scam in the Orthodox Jewish community has been exposed.

The victims were the Herzog family, the largest kosher winemakers in the world, according to the New York Daily News.

The family was distributing checks to people collecting donations for yeshivas and charities. The checks would be deposited in the U.S., and the cash taken to Israel.

The Herzogs closed their account about a year ago when they were tipped off some of the solicitors may have been illegitimate. They

hired a Satmar Hasid in Williamsburg, Elimelech Horowitz, to look into the issue. He was given cash to settle donation claims.

On May 3, Horowitz claimed he was kidnapped then released by men demanding \$35,000. Soon after, the Herzogs received a message urging them to pay \$35,000.

A private investigator hired by the family referred them to George Farkas. He reportedly could tell the abduction story was fraudulent.

He called Horowitz to his office, and told the Daily News that Horowitz confessed.

DANIELLE TCHOLAKIAN

Taken for granted

The Herzog family gave a statement expressing sadness "that we were victimized for no other reason than our charitable generosity."

No pot of gold at end of this reading rainbow



A popular reading program for low-income children has ceased.
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Free books. The program targeted low-income neighborhoods for kids under 5.

A program that delivered popular children's books to 20,000 children in low-income neighborhoods throughout the city was ceased last fall, the Wall Street Journal reported.

The program was a partnership between the Dolly Parton Imagination Library and the city Department of Education to boost literacy rates in low-income households.

It apparently took months for confused parents to be notified, and then only by email from the Dollywood Foundation.

According to the Dollywood Foundation, the

city paid \$2 per book. City officials reportedly told the Journal that the project was initially funded by a \$750,000 grant from the state Department of Education. A spokesperson for the city Department of Education reportedly said it was a pilot program to be handed over to a nonprofit organization "considering the unpredictability of state funding and in order to make the program sustainable for the long term."

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Magazine. Southern cities ranked among the laziest in nation

Jackson, the capital of Mississippi, is also the capital of sloth, according to Men's Health magazine which ranked the Southern metropolis as the least active city in the United States.

It was last on the list based on the activity level of its residents, along with Charleston, W.V.; Nashville, Tenn.; Columbia, S.C.; Birming-

ham, Ala.; and Lexington, Ky., which rounded out the bottom five.

"The South certainly has a cultural reputation for taking it easy and being laid-back," said Matt Marion, the executive editor of the magazine, adding that the region's heat and humidity are also a "built-in obstacle to exercise."

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Afghanistan

Four US soldiers killed in Kandahar

Four U.S. soldiers were killed by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan's Kandahar province yesterday.

The soldiers were in a vehicle on patrol in Kandahar's Zhari district

when they were killed, provincial spokesman Jawid Ahmad Faisal said.

May has proved particularly bloody for members of the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force, which is preparing to withdraw most combat troops by the end of next year.

REUTERS

Russia says CIA agent was caught trying to recruit spy



A Russian police officer patrols a street in front of the U.S. Embassy in Moscow where Ryan Fogle worked. / GETTY IMAGES

Relations. The incident came at an awkward time for Washington and Moscow as they try to bring the warring sides in Syria together for a peace conference.

The Foreign Ministry summoned U.S. Ambassador Michael McFaul to discuss the case on Wednesday and released a statement demanding that Fogle leave Russia without delay.

"Such provocative actions in the spirit of the Cold War will by no means promote the strengthening of mutual trust," it said.

Russian television showed grainy footage of a man identified as Fogle being arrested, and the state-run Russia Today channel published photographs on its website that it said showed Fogle being detained in a blond wig.

In one photograph, a man lay face-down on the ground with his arms being pinned behind his back.

Russia's Federal Security Service said Ryan Fogle, a third secretary at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow, had been detained overnight carrying "special technical equipment," a disguise, a large sum of money and instructions for recruiting his target.

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"Drunk pilot" and ex-navy robotics expert Chris Paton prepares to launch the spaceship. / KIERON MONKS

The world's largest tech hackspace launched in London

Launch. Science meets hedonism with a new generation of mad professors.

Red buttons flash before me. The oxygen levels are falling sharply and smoke floods the cockpit. "WARNING! Your pilot is drunk," the PA system announces. Moments later the craft swings out of control and we are finished.

Rather than floating in the Atlantic Ocean, we emerge into the back yard of a central London warehouse, surrounded

by half-built machines and imported beer. The spaceship simulator I just crashed is one of the star attractions at the launch of London's new hackspace, where innovation meets intoxication.

There are more than 1,000 hackspace in the world, bringing together tech-minded people in community hubs from Iraq to Albania, and this new arrival is believed to be the largest yet with more than 700 paying membership fees. The launch party hopes to draw in many more and offers a diverse menu.

Deep underground we visit the bio-hack lab, where genes are spliced

and DNA is tested. "It will be the first completely public laboratory, you can have your meal tested for horse-meat," says hackspace trustee Mark Steward.

Down the corridor are the metal work labs, the 3-D printers and a row of drills. Doors open at the swipe of hacked London travelcards, while smart readers on the wall show internet connectivity and energy consumption. Food hacking offers liquid nitrogen ice-cream — slightly thicker than normal — and experimental cocktails.

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Human rights

Bahrain blogger escapes to Britain

A Bahraini blogger and human rights activist said he had been granted asylum in Britain after being in hiding for two years.

A leading voice among protesters during anti-government demonstrations in 2011, Ali Abdulemam hid to escape a government crackdown and was smuggled out by fishermen. A military



Abdulemam / YOUTUBE

court tried and sentenced him in absentia to 15 years in prison. **REUTERS**

"I have not seen my daughters since they were 6-months-old. It is hard to know that your daughters know you only from a picture," said Abdulemam, a 35-year-old former engineer with Gulf Air and author of the pro-democracy Bahrain Online blog.

"I feel pain because I am not in my homeland. I did not choose this. I did not want this," he told Reuters on the sidelines of the Oslo Freedom Forum rights conference on Monday. **REUTERS**



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Elusive youth. CFO: Yahoo marketing to woo younger users

Yahoo Inc. plans to ramp up advertising and marketing efforts as it seeks to break its reliance on an "aging demographic" and become more relevant among young adults, the company's finance chief said yesterday.

The struggling Web portal's brand will be more visible on outdoor billboards and at sporting events, among other places, as it seeks to woo 18- to 34-year-olds and get the word out about new products, CFO Ken Goldman said at the J.P. Morgan Global Technology, Media and Telecom conference in Boston on Tuesday.

"Part of it is going to be just visibility again in making ourselves cool, which we got away from for a couple of years," said Goldman.

He noted that the ef-



Mayer / GETTY IMAGES

orts will require spending to advertise across various mediums. Goldman gave no specifics on budget or expenditures.

Yahoo is trying to reverse a multi-year decline in revenue and user engagement on its website, amid competition from new social networking and mobile websites such as Facebook Inc. and Twitter, and from search giant Google Inc.

"One of our challenges is we have had an aging demographic, if you will," said Goldman. **REUTERS**

A Mayer shift

Marissa Mayer, who became Yahoo's chief executive in July, was one of Google's earliest employees and is respected in technology circles for her online product-design expertise.

- Since taking over, Mayer has launched new versions of key products, such as Yahoo's Web email and its Flickr photo sharing ser-

vice, and acquired several small startup companies.

- Yahoo shares have surged roughly 70 percent since Mayer took over, though analysts say much of the rise is due to stock buybacks and the growing value of Yahoo's Asian assets.

Upgrade

Microsoft unveils free Windows 8.1 update

Microsoft Corp.'s forthcoming update to its personal computer oper-

ating system will be called Windows 8.1 and will be available later this year free to existing Windows 8 customers, the marketing chief for the Windows unit said yesterday.

The world's largest software company has

been touting the update, previously code-named Blue, as a series of improvements to the Windows 8 software, launched in October, which has not been as popular as it had hoped. **REUTERS**

By the numbers

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Microsoft has sold 100 million Windows 8 licenses in the six months since launch, roughly in line with the previous version.



Transport chief: Cost to be big factor for 'talking' cars

Cars that "talk" to each other to avoid crashes or traffic jams, like those being tested in Michigan, will save lives — but the cost of the systems will determine consumers' acceptance of such technology, U.S. transportation Secretary Ray LaHood said yesterday. LaHood declined to estimate what the cost of the technology that allows vehicles to communicate with each other and surrounding infrastructure would need to be to attract wide adoption by consumers. Since last August, officials have been testing a fleet of "talking" cars in Ann Arbor, Mich., that may help American drivers avoid crashes and traffic jams. The Department of Transportation and the University of Michigan fitted almost 3,000 cars, trucks, buses and motorcycles with wireless devices that track other vehicles' speed and location, alert drivers to congestion or change a traffic light to green. Vehicle-to-vehicle communication may help avoid or reduce the severity of four out of five crashes that occur when a driver is not impaired, regulators have said. / RON BULL, TORONTO STAR VIA GETTY IMAGES

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"Safety has a cost, and we're going to have to make that judgment."

Ray LaHood

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Britain's PM Cameron visits Boston bombing site

Bombings.

Cameron visited the memorials to the victims at Copley Square.

British Prime Minister David Cameron paid tribute to the victims of the Boston marathon bombing yesterday in a visit to the site of the attack, saying Britain stood shoulder to shoulder with the United States against terrorism.

On the second day of a three-day trip to the United States, Cameron visited the memorials to the victims at Copley Square, accompanied by Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick.

Three people were killed and more than 260 injured in the April 15 bombings.



U.K. Prime Minister David Cameron and Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick visit the memorial to the Boston Marathon bombing victims on Boylston Street yesterday in Boston. / GETTY IMAGES

Quoted

“Everyone in the U.K. stands with your great city and your great people.” Cameron

Cameron made a special trip to Boston after meeting President Barack Obama at the White House on Monday to discuss the Syrian conflict and next month's G8 summit in Northern Ireland.

It was crucial to challenge the “narrative of violent extremism,” he said, which meant “standing for the values that we believe in” such as freedom, democracy and diversity. **REUTERS**

Deadly accident

Father of 4-year-old NJ boy who shot friend is charged

Police in New Jersey have arrested the father of a 4-year-old boy who fatally shot a 6-year-old friend while playing with one of the father's guns, which had been left unsecured in a bedroom.

The Atlantic City prosecutor's office charged 33-year-old Anthony Senatore with six counts of endangering the welfare of a child and one disorderly persons charge for allowing minors access to a loaded firearm.

The 4-year-old boy, accidentally shot his friend in the head on April 8 while playing with a .22-caliber rifle outside Senatore's home in Toms River, New Jersey.

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Terminally ill

Vermont set to become third US state to allow assisted suicide

Vermont is poised to become the third U.S. state to allow doctor-assisted suicide, after its legislature passed a bill allowing physicians to prescribe lethal drugs to terminally ill patients.

Vermont's measure includes a number of safeguards. Both the patient's primary physician and a consulting doctor must agree the patient is suffering from a terminal illness and is capable of making an informed decision to request death-inducing drugs. It also requires the patient to request the drugs twice, with 15 days separating the first and second requests.

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Vin Diesel: Facebook owes me



Vin Diesel has a bone to pick with Facebook. The "Fast & Furious 6" star is taking credit for making celebrity pages popular on the social network, as he was one of the first movie stars to interact with his followers. "Facebook used to ask me to come up to their office to explain what the f— I was doing and why I had so many fans. What was

unique was I never let anyone do a post. I never let anyone post for me in the last four years," he tells Entertainment Weekly. "Facebook really owes me billions of dollars, but whatever."

The secret to Diesel's Facebook success? He really interacts with his Facebook fans. And Diesel's fans (41,621,431 likes as of this writing)

return the favor. They are known for creating truly amazing Vin Diesel Facebook art (see above). He calls these super-fanatical Diesel fans, "Vinangels, Vingypsies, and the various nomadic tribes of the Underverse."

In other news, Vin Diesel is a total weirdo. I love it. Did I say 41,621,431 fans? Make that 41,621,432.

Holly Madison's fiance is in deep, deep trouble

Holly Madison's fiance and father to her infant daughter, Rainbow, is facing more than 13 years in prison for bribery, embezzlement, conspiracy and conflict of interest, Radaronline.com reports.

The LA County District Attorney says Pasquale Rotella, who owns an event firm called Insomniac events, used more than \$2.5 million in funds from the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum to pay off city officials. Rotella would use the

coliseum to host parties and raves.

Madison announced she was marrying Rotella on Monday with a wedding planned for Aug. 14. Rotella is currently out on a \$1.8 million bail and is due back in court on July 29.

So, um, happy engagement, Holly Madison? (Psst: Whatever you do, Holly, make sure you find out the refund policy on your wedding rentals. Your groom might be indisposed come Aug. 14th.)



THE WORD

Dorothy Robinson takes on the world of gossip.

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Saldana swings both ways

Zoe Saldana is keeping an open mind when it comes to a potential family. How open? She tells Allure magazine that she might "end up with a woman raising my children — that's how androgynous

I am." That's rather progressive, but Saldana says that it's all about not taking things for granted. "If I have something good in front of me, it doesn't matter if it's a person or a pair of shoes," she says.

Bieber and Bon Jovi: Robbed!

Justin Bieber's tour is on hiatus until he hits San Diego next month, but the scandal-plagued international leg wouldn't be complete without one more hitch: After Bieber's last show in Johannesburg,

the venue, FNB Stadium, was robbed, with thieves making off with more than \$300,000 from Bieber's show and a Bon Jovi concert the previous night. "The suspect had gained entry through the roof," the police said.

Beyoncé cancels show, fuels rumors

Beyoncé does not know how to calm pregnancy rumors. After whispers swirled on Monday that the singer was pregnant, she canceled a show in Belgium yesterday. Her publicist says she is suffer-

ing from "exhaustion" and "dehydration."

She is scheduled to perform tonight at the same arena, but "she is awaiting word from her doctors before making a decision," per the Associated Press.

Twitter feed

We check in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Dita Von Teese is getting fancy, Jason Alexander is learning about the human body, Michelle Trachtenberg is tough and Steve Martin is feeling pretty important.

@DitaVonTeese: Headed to the Cannes Film Festival this weekend.

@JasonAlexander: Wise saying: A mind is a terrible thing to waste. But apparently, a gallbladder is expendable.

@RealMichelleT: I ain't afraid of no ghosts.

@SteveMartinToGo: Spent an afternoon with the President of the United States. That's right. I am now 24,434,432 in the line of succession.

Sister act: Haim's sonic harmony



Haim perform at Brooklyn Bowl and at the Governors Ball next month. / PROVIDED

Music. These three California sisters are just regular girls, aside from the rush of success they're enjoying.

Este, Danielle and Alana Haim are typical 20-somethings who love Kendrick Lamar and dance parties.

The three sisters also happen to be creating a lot of buzz, using their surname as a band name. Haim — pronounced like the word 'time' — are currently on tour with Vampire Weekend and are playing major music festivals this summer, including Governors Ball, Bonnaroo, Lollapalooza, the Reading Festival and Glastonbury.

They only started releasing music last year and are currently in the studio putting the finishing touches on their first studio album. The new album will include some singles from previous EPs as well as new music.

"We can only have one first album," Este, the oldest, says. "We want to make sure we love it."

For the Haim sisters, music is a family affair.

Their dad played the drums and their mom was a guitar player and singer. Their grandmother was a piano teacher. The family would gather in the living room playing oldies like "Brown Eyed Girl."

"Our dad put us on the drums as soon as we could

hold our heads up," Este says. "At that point we were just banging on things."

As high schoolers, the girls tinkered with other bands.

"When I was in high school, I was in a couple of bands and simultaneously in a band with my family," Este says. "Nothing ever felt as good as when I played with them. My sisters are much better musicians than the dudes I played with."

The sisters are also inseparable friends. In L.A., Este and Alana live together and Danielle lives a five-minute walk away.

"When we're not working, we're still hanging out," Este says. "We spend a lot of time together — and it's not because we have to, but because we want to. We always have the most fun when we're together."

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Sonic style

Their musical upbringing

Este says she has a hard time describing Haim's exact genre of music.

Growing up, they listened to the oldies radio stations. While helping their mom with dishes,

they listened to the "Saturday Night Fever" soundtrack. With their dad, it was nothing but fun.

"We take from so many genres of music and time periods," she says. "The lines are kind of blurred now."

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'Star Trek' into dumbness

Bloated sci-fi.

The second in J.J. Abrams' Trekkie reboot is mysteriously glum and mechanical.

The summer of 2009's most unexpected delight, director J.J. Abrams' "Star Trek," revived the moribund franchise, exploiting a canny time-travel loophole so a fresh-faced cast could take on familiar roles unburdened by half-a-century's worth of sci-fi mythology. The film's great pleasure was watching these flinty Starfleet cadets gradually assume their rightful positions on the bridge of the Enterprise, finally blasting off for adventures unknown. It was terrific pop entertainment.

"Star Trek Into Darkness" is as glum and mechanical as its predecessor was buoyant. After spend-



Zachary Quinto's Spock and Chris Pine's Kirk return for "Star Trek Into Darkness." / PARAMOUNT PICTURES

Review

'Star Trek Into Darkness'

Rating: PG-13



ing an entire movie getting the band together, Abrams promptly busts them up and drags the action back down to Earth, ditching space for a joyless, been-there-done-that revenge plot. Demoted to First Officer for violating the Prime

Directive, Chris Pine's blustery James T. Kirk finds himself investigating an act of domestic terrorism by Benedict Cumberbatch's rogue officer John Harrison. An assassination sequence heavily indebted to — of all things — "The

3-D don'ts

Three times as much darkness

Shot on film and then post-converted to digital 3-D, "Star Trek Into Darkness" is

the muddiest-looking movie you'll find in theaters right now. The vibrant colors of the crew uniforms and Abrams' beloved fluorescent lens flares appear to have been submerged in murk.

Godfather III" follows. A close friend is among the dead: This time, it's personal.

An itchy admiral, played by Peter Weller, turns the Enterprise into a warship, much to the displeasure of peacenik Chief Engineer Scotty (Simon Pegg), who resigns from his post in protest. Kirk and crew are dispatched on an illegal mission of vengeance, accompanied by Alice Eve's mysterious Carol Marcus, whose name might raise an eyebrow for "Wrath of Kahn" fans.

In fact, there's a lot that

deliberately stokes memories of "Trek's" 1982 high-water mark first sequel, including a mid-movie reveal that's probably the worst-kept secret in the history of franchise marketing.

In the history of "Star Trek" films, as any Trekkie worth his salt knows, the even-numbered films delivered while the odd-numbered installments were notoriously lousy. Nifty of Abrams to have inverted that particular axiom.

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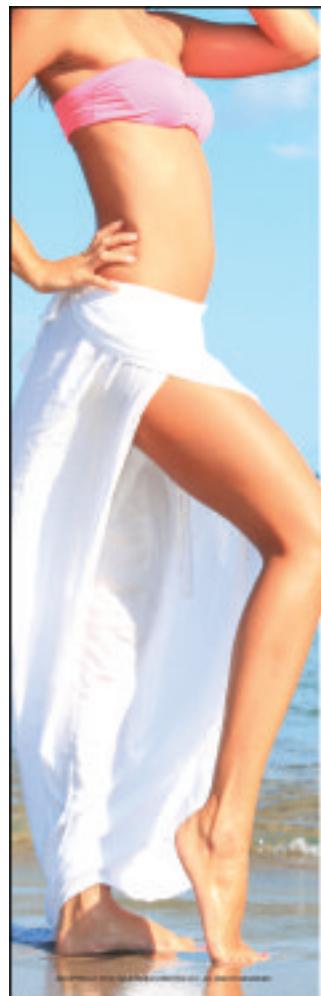
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GRETA GERWIG

"Frances Ha" star and co-writer talks about the death of youth.

GROWING PAINS

Time is something that has always been on Greta Gerwig's mind. Her new film, "Frances Ha" — in which she stars and also co-wrote with director Noah Baumbach — deals intimately with the growing pains that hit around age 27, both in terms of friendships and relationships as well as career. And if there's one lesson Gerwig has learned — and continues to re-learn — it's that you have to stop comparing yourself to others.

This movie deals a lot with what some people might call suspended adolescence.

Regardless of whether you have suspended adolescence or not, I think there is a passage out of youth that happens around 27 or 28. I was really interested in that. I'm not that interested in youth, I'm interested in the death of youth. [Laughs] But I always felt that way, even when I was 21 or 22. I was always kind of interested in the moment when you pass out of it. For some reason, those moments, I always felt them more deeply than I think anybody else does,

Quoted

"With, like, The Beatles, they had done everything and broken up by the time they were 29. They'd done all of The Beatles ... which is horrifying."

Gerwig

and I always feel insecure still when I bring them up. I feel like I've always had a sense of fatality when it comes to passing through moments. I'm always aware of the moment passing, in some ways, and that kind of melancholy of enjoying something for the last time.

It's unfair to do an age and accomplishment comparison when it comes to musicians.

It's always the worst — unless you're Leonard Cohen. I mean, this is probably the neurotic in me, but I feel like it's good to choose something where the people who are best at it tend to be older than you. Because, I don't know, I want to write and direct, and I feel like you make all your best movies between 30 and 60. Pretty much every director is like that. So, I don't

know, that gives me 30 years. [Laughs] You can't compare yourself to others age-wise because it's just, like, a losing thing to worry about. I don't know. One of the reasons that we made Frances a dancer — other than the fact that I love dance and I love dance on film — is that at 27 it's done. If you're not doing it, you're not going to do it.

This is a career with an expiration date.

Right. And there aren't many that have those expiration dates. So it felt like it was just an appropriate fit metaphorically for everything else that was going on, like with her friendship with Sophie. It's going to not be this way always.



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REALITY

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In yet another installment with one of the worst casts to date (when will they stop making these things?), Hurricane Nia gets fired from her MTV-appointed "job." That's sort of like being the only kid on the Little League team who doesn't get a trophy for showing up. Also, Averey is sad about Johnny. **10 P.M., MTV**

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Onstage, an early Christopher Wheeldon ballet, "Soiree Musicale" to music by Samuel Barber, mobilized a dozen men, 10 of them from the corps, to tango with soloist Brittany Pollack. Wheeldon's latest, the pretty duet "A Place for Us" for Tiler Peck and Robert Fairchild, paired ornate movement with virtuoso

playing by clarinetist Richard Stoltzman and pianist Nancy McDonald.

The rest was basically snippets: There was a number from "West Side Story Suite" by Jerome Robbins and Peter Gennaro to Leonard Bernstein's music, a shard from Robbins' "Glass Pieces" and one song from George Balanchine's "Who Cares?" featuring guest performer Queen Latifah crooning Gershwin's "The Man I Love."

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Afterward, the regal audience dined and danced on the theater's promenade. Outside the stage door, a select few were standing by to watch Queen Latifah, her tall silver sandals swapped for comfy slippers, hop into a limo and head into the night.

The Spring Gala was a sight, but there's still more to see from New York City Ballet before the season's through. American Music Festival is still running for a limited time, followed by 33 ballets on 21 programs, featuring a new piece by corps member Justin Peck to music by Philip Glass.

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NYCB's Spring Gala showcased "Soiree Musicale," with choreography by Christopher Wheeldon.

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Brokers turn to buyers to boost business

Real estate. With lack of inventory to sell, agents shift their attention to apartment-hunters.

With a scarce number of sellers in the market, New York City residential brokers have — unintentionally — found themselves taking on substantially more buyers as clients. "Right now I'm working with very, very hungry buyers at the same time I would normally spend handling my listings," said Frances Katzen, a Douglas Elliman broker, who noted that she's working with 45 to 50 percent more buyers than she was before the market tightened.

Kane Manera, also of Elliman, similarly said the number of buyers he's working with has shot up by about 50 percent in about the last three months.

"Buyers are saying, 'Oh my goodness, we have to get it now.' Sellers are saying, 'Oh my goodness, [the market is getting] stronger, why would I want to sell now?' Those two parallels are causing extremely low inventory and extremely hungry buyers," Manera said. "There's a real hint that prices are going to keep going and going up."

The extreme lack of inventory in the market has prompted many brokers to shift not just their clientele, but also their strategies for doing business.

It's requiring brokers who are represent-

The numbers

Inventory in NYC is down

According to Elliman's latest market report for the first quarter of 2013, listing inventory in Manhattan fell by 34.4 percent year-over-year to 4,960 units from 7,560, as TRD has previously reported. Meanwhile, the number of sales dropped quarter-over-quarter to 2,457 in the first quarter from 2,598 in 2012's fourth quarter.

ing buyers to hustle harder than usual. "I had to become very proactive and creative in finding apartments for my customers to see," said Kevin Ryan-Young, a broker at Bond New York, "whether it's expanding their criteria or writing letters to owners in a particular building. Also, keeping the buyers engaged during the extended search process has become a major part of my working time."

"It's frustrating," Katzen said. "[Buyers] feel like we're holding back [and] we're not doing our job finding apartments, but we can't make it up. It's brick and mortar. It's hard to hide." **HAYLEY KAPLAN**

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Manera



NYC brokers are now representing more buyers in their search for homes. / GETTY IMAGES

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Renters: Get ready for a cutthroat summer

Real estate.

Rents are up, vacancies are down in April — and trends show no signs of changing.

Rents continue to rise in both Manhattan and Brooklyn, according to monthly market reports from leading residential brokerages

released last week. And the market is slated to tighten further, experts said.

The median rent for a Manhattan apartment in April was \$3,195 per month, a 6.5 percent increase from \$3,000 per month in the same month last year, a report from Douglas Elliman shows. In April, there were 4,287 rental transactions in Manhattan, up 1.4 percent from a year earlier.

Meanwhile, the va-

cancy rate in Manhattan dropped to 1.28 percent, a 12 percent decline from the 1.46 percent rate in March, numbers from Citi Habitats show. "It's going to make for a very competitive summer," said Gary Malin, president of Citi Habitats, the city's largest brokerage. "You will see a vacancy rate sub 1 percent very soon."

The reason continues to be that constrained supply in the sales market and



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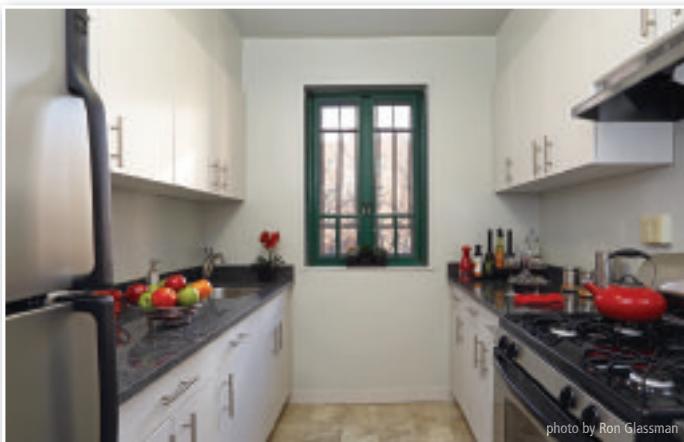


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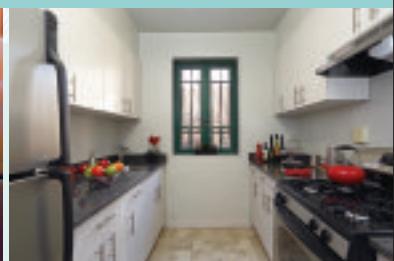
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Rental stats

Studios prices on the rise

In March, average prices for studios showed the steepest rent increase, Citi Habitats' figures

showed, and April was no different. The average rent for a studio was \$2,048, up three percent from a month prior, when the figure was \$1,986, per Citi's report.

By the numbers

1.28%

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tight restrictions on mortgage lending are keeping certain would-be buyers in the rental market longer, said Jonathan Miller, president of appraisal firm Miller Samuel and author of Elliman's report, adding that this year is "on par" with a "robust" 2012.

"It's somewhat surprising, because sometimes rental and sales markets move in opposite directions, and in Manhattan they are both moving up," he said. And, heading into the busy summer season, the price increases and tight supply

show no signs of letting up, particularly for apartment hunters interested in smaller unit types Downtown.

"We're moving into the meat of the market," said Mark Menendez, Elliman's director of rentals, who predicted a summer of slow but steady price increases. Demand for studios Downtown — particularly in the West Village and mostly from newcomers to Gotham — is the major force in the rental market at the moment, Menendez said. "The majority of the activity that we are seeing now is coming from the entry-level."

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Brooklyn rents are up only 1 percent — but rents are rising, says Miller. / CONTRIBUTED

Low inventory

Brooklyn is not much better

Over the river, price growth has been more modest, despite last month's roaring market, Miller said. "After several months of very robust year-over-year growth, [Brooklyn rents are] only up 1 percent, so the numbers there seem

to be more volatile in Manhattan," he said. "But rents are still rising."

Indeed, the median rent in Brooklyn increased to \$2,700 per month, up a mere 1 percent from \$2,673 at this time last year, the Elliman report shows.

However, the volume of rental transactions was up 10.9 percent, to 357 from 322 year-over-year, which could

indicate continued resistance from renters, with many opting to find a new place rather than suffer rent increases.

Still, insanely low vacancy and inventory are a concern for the whole industry, experts said.

"Any new product that comes online is always at the highest end of the marketplace," Malin said. "We need to add some more units."



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Asthma and allergy pro Robin Wilson tell us how to breathe easy. **LINDA LABAN**

May is National Asthma and Allergy Awareness month — and while we can't control Mother Nature and substances outside of the home, we can minimize allergy triggers inside it. Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America ambassador Robin Wilson is a New York City-based designer who heads Robin Wilson Home (clients include President Bill Clinton). Wilson gives us tips on creating a low-allergy inner sanctum — and that includes cutting chemical exposure, which makes the body more sensitive to reactions.



Robin Wilson / VANESSA LENZ

Is your home an allergy nightmare?

"If your allergies clear when you go [on vacation] and then when you get home you start feeling 'blargh' again, then your environment is full of triggers," says Wilson. "Two easy tips: Every

60 days, freeze your child's stuffed animals in zip-lock bags to kill dust mites. Also, whenever you walk into your home, take off your shoes to prevent the outside world from coming in."



Bed

"You go out into the sun on a daily basis, but if you sit in it for six hours you'll get a sunburn. It's the same with sleeping on a toxic mattress. If you spend a third of your life sleeping, you're spending a third of your life absorbing toxins. Cheap mattresses are sprayed with boric acid: That's roach killer! Buy the most expensive mattress you can. Dust mites collect in your mattress and pillow. Change pillows every three years, wash them once a year and choose synthetic pillows, not down-feather ones: Feathers trigger allergies."

Bath

"Choose a nylon shower curtain, not a vinyl one. Nylon doesn't off-gas and it's more mold-resistant and washable. Check and replace caulking once a year. Flushing the toilet sends microscopic water droplets throughout the bathroom every time you flush. That means mold and E. coli might be landing on your toothbrush, so keep the lid down before flushing."



Beyond

"Your floors and walls are the largest surfaces in your home. Use non-VOC paints that won't off-gas. Replace wall-to-wall carpeting with carpet tile, which can be cleaned properly. Use cotton-backed, not vinyl-backed rugs — they trap less dirt and dust. Use white vinegar to clean fridge pans and add it to the soap compartment in your dishwasher. Run it while empty."

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Hamptons on amenity kick

Decor. The trend for high-end homes includes outdoor pizza ovens and fireplaces.

Back when "the Hamptons" was "the country," a backyard used to signify potato fields and fireflies. With the march of progress, pools, Jacuzzis and tennis courts became essentials for high-end Hamptons homes. Now it's become de rigueur to make the outside of the house nearly indistinguishable (at least in terms of comfort level) from the inside.

Indeed, Hamptonsites say that new homes are increasingly being built with outdoor living rooms, full outdoor kitchens, screened-in porches — and in some cases even wood-burning pizza ovens and spas. "People want to be outside more. They want to have that kind of experience

where the outdoor and indoor living is connected," said Jeffrey Colle, a veteran homebuilder in the area.

At 18 Wainscott Main St. in Wainscott, a 6,800-square-foot home currently listed for \$8.5 million, Colle included a 3,600-square-foot exterior space — larger than many American homes. It includes two porches, a mahogany deck and a pool house with the option to add an outdoor fireplace — if the four fireplaces inside are not enough.

"Each season people get different, more extravagant ideas," Colle said. The Corcoran Group's Susan Breitenbach, who is marketing the Wainscott listing, said developers are finally wising up to clients' desires for more elaborate outdoor spaces. "I tell all these people building for spec that a lot of people love the outdoor living space," she said. Breitenbach is also marketing a \$25 million, two-acre



The backyard in 18 Wainscott Main St. includes two porches, a deck and a pool house. / JAKE RAJS

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Jeffrey Colle, veteran homebuilder



Outdoor fireplaces are the trend now. / MICHAEL HELLER

East Hampton compound, which includes outdoor pergolas, fireplaces, covered porches, an apple orchard, a 100-foot-long open-air dining table and a gym in a barn.

As with interior spaces, the sky is the limit for the cost of building. Ernie Cervi, executive managing director in Corcoran's Bridgehampton office, said a "nice size" outdoor living room can cost upward of \$200,000. Colle said he spent roughly \$500,000 alone on the exterior space on the Wainscott property. "The outdoor space is now being considered additional square footage to the house," Cervi said. "You can really take it to a whole other level." **SANNA CHU**

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Sweet secrets from Hungry Girl

Diet. The peppy food star gives us guilt-free tips and tricks on dessert.

You likely already know that a total deprivation diet won't keep you skinny long-term — and who could go through life without dessert? With waistlines in mind, Lisa Lillien, aka Hungry Girl to her legions of fans, just released her eighth book, "Hungry Girl 200 Under 200: Just Desserts." We asked the bubbly recipe whiz for her tips on enjoying the sweet stuff without going totally overboard.

Think beyond the box: If you're looking to shave some fat and calories from a traditional cake mix, ignore the instructions, Lillien says. From whipping up Funfetti cake with club soda to using pumpkin instead of oil, eggs and



Lisa Lillien will blow you away with her recipes. / CATHRYN FARNSWORTH

Her snack pick



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butter, "there are great shortcuts," she says.

Make ingredients go double-duty: Lillien makes pie crusts with Fiber 1 cereal and mini-desserts with egg roll wrappers, wonton wrappers and tiny phyllo shells, which she calls "just brilliant because they're low in fat and calories and [they] are great vehicles for your dessert items."

Jazz up fruit: Hungry Girl calls herself a "fruit maniac," but if fruit just isn't your go-to, you can find ways to make it sweeter. "I like to take pineapple, grill it and drizzle a little bit of reduced-fat caramel on it," she says. Also big in Lillien's house: fun with apples. "I will chop them up and shake them in a bag with cinnamon, throw them in the microwave like that, make baked apples with diet soda — I have so many recipes where you cook some chopped apples in a pot with a little bit of cornstarch, water, sugar and cinnamon and you make it into a gooey apple pie filling and put it in so many different places."

Enjoy in moderation: "If a big, gooey dessert shows up, I'll stick a fork in there," Lillien says about dining out.



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Tasty recipe. Freezy PB Pie Cups

You'll Need: 12-cup muffin pan, foil baking cups, large bowl, electric mixer

Prep: 15 minutes

Freeze: 3½ hours

Nutritional facts for 1/12 of recipe (1 pie cup): 134 calories, 6g fat, 132mg sodium, 16g carbs, 0.5g fiber, 8g sugars, 4g protein. Makes 12 servings.

Directions:



1 Line a 12-cup muffin pan with foil baking cups.

2 In a large bowl, combine peanut butter with cream cheese. With an electric mixer set to medium speed, beat until uniform.

3 Reduce speed to low. Continue to beat while gradually adding powdered sugar, followed by soy milk. Beat until smooth, 2 to 3 minutes.

4 Fold in 1 cup Cool Whip until uniform. Evenly distribute mixture among the cups of the muffin pan. Spread remaining Cool Whip over the mixture, and sprinkle with chocolate chips.

5 Freeze until firm, at least 3 ½ hours.

Ingredients

- ½ cup reduced-fat creamy peanut butter
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Health. The choice to have a preventive mastectomy is a very personal one.

Angelina Jolie made headlines yesterday by announcing that she underwent a preventive double mastectomy after testing positive for a mutated BRCA1 gene, which indicates a strong predisposition to breast and ovarian cancer.

In her New York Times Op-Ed piece, "My Medical Choice," Jolie reveals that her doctor estimated she had an 87 percent risk of breast cancer and a 50 percent chance of ovarian cancer. "I decided to be proactive and to minimize the risk as much I could," she writes. Now, post-mastectomy, her risk of breast cancer has dropped to below 5 percent. Jolie's mother died of cancer in 2007 at age 56.

BRCA1 and BRCA2 are



Angelina Jolie says she shared her story so that "other women can benefit from my experience." / GETTY IMAGES

two genes that, when mutated, have been linked to genetic breast and ovarian cancer. Both women and men are susceptible to the faulty genes. Patients can undergo a blood test to see if they have the mutated genes, and genetic counselors can help patients decide on the best course of treatment for them. That might be a prophylactic (preventive) mastectomy,

taking drugs like tamoxifen or raloxifene — which are proven to lower breast cancer risk — or continuing cancer screenings.

Indeed, the aggressive procedure Jolie had is not for everyone, says Dr. Fred Jacobs, chief medical officer of the eastern division of the American Cancer Society: "That decision needs to be made in conjunction with a very experienced

medical oncologist and a genetic counselor who can make sense of the data the woman has."

"It's a very personal thing," he says. "Do you want to live with that risk, or do you want to take aggressive action to reduce it, meaning a rather extensive surgical procedure? [Jolie] spent three months doing it. That requires a bit of a commitment for a disease

you don't have."

Dr. Jacobs also says that Jolie's experience does not mean that everyone needs genetic testing. Only women with a strong family history of cancer should consider undergoing it, according to the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, and that number is just 2 percent of the population.

Mastectomy patients can expect a procedure that takes a few hours — more if the patient opts for reconstructive surgery during the same operation. Patients often choose the simultaneous procedure, Dr. Jacobs says, "because they go to sleep and wake up and still have breasts." Reconstructive surgery involves a plastic surgeon recreating the breasts once the breast surgeon has finished his portion of the operation. Post-procedure follow-ups and recovery equal a total recuperation time of multiple months.

Though Jolie greatly reduced her risk of developing cancer, Dr. Jacobs

Where things go wrong

"The women who have this issue have a problem with suppressing the development of cancer," Dr. Jacobs says. "Everybody has cell division that may go a little out of whack, but there's natural body defenses [against that]. This gene suppresses that defense."

notes that her risk isn't totally zero, as some breast tissue always remains post-mastectomy. Still, he's quick to commend her on her decision. "She took the matter into her own hands and said, 'I'm not gonna sit back and wait for this. ... I want to take charge of my life, and this is available to me.' It's a perfectly reasonable thing that she did."

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Now that leopard print has transitioned from trendy trend to fashion perennial, it gets the same treatment that other classics like, say, a white shirt might. Meaning, designers remix and reinterpret it again and again and again. This season, the spots come in graphic renderings meant to pop. Here are some of our favorites.

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HOT GAMES: COOL RUNNINGS

The iPad and its feisty little brother the iPhone are known the world over for being fantastic gaming machines. One genre that particularly shines on their glossy, fingerprint-laden screens? Endless Runners. The best of the genre, like "Temple Run" and "Jetpack Joyride," offer an addictive experience that is perfect for bite-sized gaming sessions. Here are a few new titles vying for "best of" status.

'Robot Unicorn Attack 2'

Company: Adult Swim Games

System: iPad/iPhone

Cost: Free

Rating:

The first "Robot Unicorn Attack" was a joyous, cacophonous experience that could only come from the warped minds at Adult Swim. This sequel amps up just about everything you loved in the original. There are more powerups for your unicorn, an even better synth-based soundtrack and a fantastic mission-based structure.

There's also a unique online mode. You are assigned a team, good or

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most of the associated pitfalls. It'll ask for money every now and again, but the prompts are easy to ignore.

'Worm Run'

Company: Golden Ruby Games

System: iPad/iPhone

Cost: \$1

Rating:

"Worm Run" is a surreal mix of endless running and survival horror. The end result of this odd mash-up? A total adrenaline-fueled and frantic rush. The game tasks you as a spaceman who is being chased by a giant worm, "Tremors"-style. You have to run, climb and jump your way to freedom. Unfortunately, that danged worm never lets up, and freedom is short-lived at best. Maybe it's an analogy for life, or my last marriage. Da dum dum.

The controls are entirely swipe-based, which works marvelously. The precision required to avoid that giant, bloodthirsty worm makes the game a better fit for the iPad's large screen, however. Even on the iPhone, though, it is totally worth a buck.

evil, and everything you do works toward your team's total score. The course you run changes daily, so you can't cheat and memorize every nook and cranny. This is a "freemium" game, but RUA2 manages to avoid



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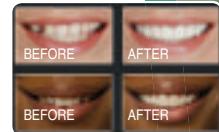
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Although your prospects for personal gain look good, don't expect to become a millionaire overnight.

♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20.
Be logical and practical about your financial dealings — but by the same token, don't discount any of your hunches.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22.
A surefire way to guarantee that your friends will speak well of you is to speak highly of them. However, make sure what you say is sincere.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22.
The race will go to the smart and not necessarily to the swift in career-related matters. Be sure you use your head wisely.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22.
Those that aren't tuned into your wavelength will prove to be a big bore. Try to associate with those whose dislikes parallel yours.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.
Timing is important when you are trying to promote something that could be financially beneficial. Wait to make your pitch.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.
If you have to make a critical decision, get as much feedback from others as you can.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21.
This is a good day to talk to the boss about some changes that you feel would help the operation. If it makes sense, your superior will be interested.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan. 20.
When dealing with others on a one-on-one basis, "Judge not lest ye be judged" is a good adage to keep in mind.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb. 18.
When in conversation about a critical decision, the debate won't be won by the person who has the last word.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20.
You're an extremely effective communicator, so don't waste your time on idle chatter. Use your skills to charm people.

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Sudoku: Easy and hard

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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

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1 " -- grip!"
5 Ear cleaner
9 Mountebank
14 Haik wearer
15 Churchy La Femme's pal
16 Needless
17 Mumble
18 Piccadilly statue
19 Windy City airport
20 Dress store section
22 Chewy candy
24 Guys
26 Litter member
27 Complacently
30 Trophy winner
35 Languishes
36 Part of BYOB
37 Join together
38 Rope-a-dope boxer
39 Quantities
42 Prize marble
43 Untidy person
45 The A in B.A.
46 Modeling media
48 Lightweight motorcycle
50 Meadowlike
51 Kuan discipline
52 Sandy ridges
54 Evolved
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62 Quick-witted

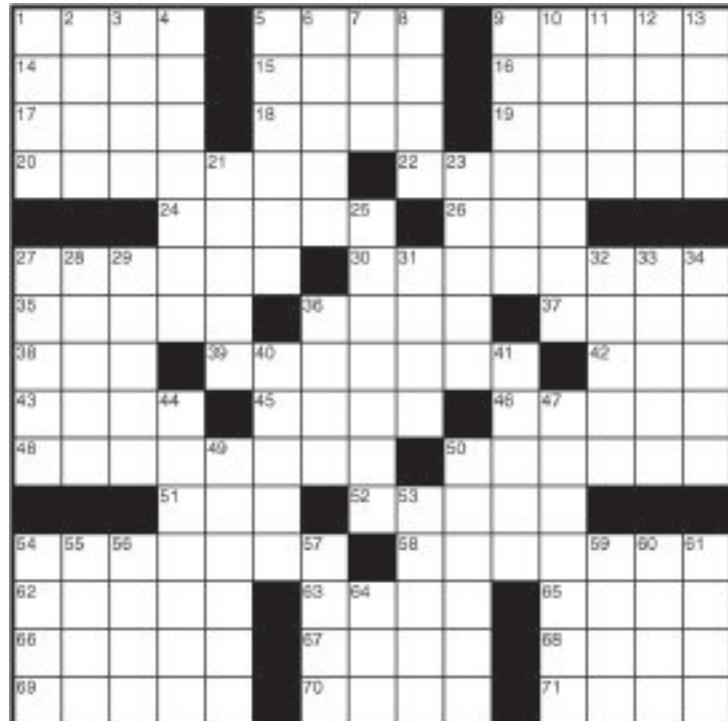
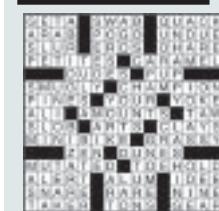
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66 Pitfall, maybe
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68 Muse complement
69 Buyer
70 Freight units
71 Backpacker's load

Down

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3 Without any slack
4 Condense
5 Fast
6 Marriage-vow word
7 Way back when
8 Pear variety
9 Voting number
10 Blue
11 Not know from —
12 Salt or smoke
13 Stem-to-stern timber
21 Major oil hub
23 Off to one side
25 Reconnoitered
27 Muscle cramp
28 Metric prefix
29 Merger
31 Rome wreckers
32 Jots

33 Approves
34 Info-packed
36 Lancaster foe
40 New England state
41 Fallen-rock debris
44 Really weird
47 Tongue — (scolding)
49 Improved
50 Trolls
53 Complete reversal (hyph.)
54 Yacht basin sight
55 Wrist bone
56 Salad bowl wood
57 Pub throw
59 Garfield's housemate
60 Olin or Horne
61 Shy creature
64 Philosopher — -tzu

Yesterday's answer



Letters

Focus on the good saints, not killers

Consider the bicycle

RE: "Catholic naming of saints is rife with hypocrisy" (Metro, May 14) Letter writer I. Milton Karabell has a problem with the ascension to sainthood of over 800 Christian martyrs who were beheaded about 500 years ago for not renouncing their faith.

Karabell cleverly tries to ignore what these brave, courageous people did by saying, "You killed people too." Okay, but we can argue about why humanity was much more violent years ago or we can celebrate the lives of these newly canonized saints.

KEVIN METZ, VIA EMAIL

May is National Bike Month — a perfect time for our community to recognize and celebrate all the benefits of bicycling. Bicycling keeps us healthy, carries us efficiently, saves us from high gas prices and makes our air cleaner and our roads less congested. Bicycling helps address many of our most pressing societal and environmental problems. According to the national bike group PeopleForBikes, half of all trips Americans make are three miles or less — an easy biking distance.

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Paul George nearly posted a triple-double in an easy defeat of the Knicks in Game 4. / RON HOSKINS, NBAE, GETTY IMAGES

Knicks season may have slipped away

NBA playoffs. The Pacers won Game 4 with ease to give them a 3-1 edge in the series.

The Knicks have defied the odds for most of the season. They fielded one of the oldest teams in league history — not to mention one of the smallest.

It looks like those factors have caught up to them in a 93-82 loss to the

younger and bigger Pacers in Game 4 of the Eastern Conference semifinals.

Perhaps the Knicks can draw inspiration from their hockey brethren, the Rangers, and fight back from a 3-1 series deficit — but it doesn't look good. Forget that center Tyson Chandler and forward Carmelo Anthony seemingly had a disconnect following their Game 3 loss, because it appears not even a cohesive Knicks squad can hang with a Pacers' team that has outhustled, over-

Board to death

Knicks head coach Mike Woodson started a bigger lineup in Game 4 by going with Kenyon Martin at power forward and Carmelo Anthony at his customary small forward.

- It didn't help matters much, as the Pacers still hammered the Knicks on the glass, 54-36. Paul George had a game-high 14.

powered and outexecuted them.

Anthony finished with 24 points before fouling out late in the fourth quarter, but it was nowhere near enough, as he got next to nothing from his supporting cast. Raymond Felton had 14 points and Chandler had a respectable 12 points and 10 rebounds, but the Pacers had four starters in double figures.

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Injury update

Hafner needs shoulder MRI

After carrying the Yankee offense with Robinson Cano in April by hitting .318, Travis Hafner has batted .133 (4-for-30) this month with two strikeouts.

Hafner went 2-for-17 on the road trip and sat out last night with a sore shoulder that has been bothering him for a while. He is going for an MRI as well.

"He's managed it and he's played through it,"



Travis Hafner / GETTY IMAGES

manager Joe Girardi said. "He's been fairly productive for us. But we're just taking some precautionary things to see where he's at and make sure we're not missing anything." **LARRY FLEISHER**

More bad news



Zack Wheeler
GETTY IMAGES

Mets shut down top prospect Wheeler

With a record of 14-21 and four straight losses heading into last night, the last thing the Mets needed was news of their top prospect being shut down due to injury.

And yet, news came yesterday that Triple-A Las Vegas pitcher Zack Wheeler will be shut down due to soreness in his shoulder. Right now the team is saying the injury is in the front of his shoulder, and they are not concerned. However, Wheeler is being flown to New York for further evaluation by team doctors.

Wheeler has had three straight strong starts after starting the season poorly.

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Islanders' heartbreak outweighed by successes

NHL. The Islanders feel they have the pieces in place to continue to grow.

The devastation felt in the immediate aftermath of Game 6 was gone, but the hurt of a collective dream gone unfulfilled lingered.

Almost 36 hours after Brooks Orpik's first career playoff goal, a slap shot at the 7:49 mark of overtime Saturday night which ended their season, the Islanders congregated at the Nassau Coliseum yesterday to say goodbye and reflect on a season in which the franchise qualified for the playoffs for the first time

On the market

Mark Streit, 35, is the preeminent defenseman in a rather mediocre free agent market. Streit played in all 48 games last season and recorded 27 points (six goals and 21 assists).

• "This year is a little bit of a different situation because my contract is running out," Streit said. "I've been here five years and played with a lot of great players. It's a great organization. I love the team and living on Long Island. I really want to come back."

Sidney Crosby shakes hands with Evgeni Nabokov after Saturday's loss. Nabokov is a free agent this offseason. / NHLI, GETTY IMAGES

since 2007.

"It's tough," Matt Moulson said. "It's a crap- py feeling."

Despite acknowledging the pain of a season ended far too soon, the Islanders spoke of a sense of accomplishment in transforming the perception of the franchise and expressed excitement about what the

future may hold.

"We've come a long way," John Tavares said. "Obviously we're getting a new home in a couple years, here. You can really see the team we're becoming. I, for sure, think it will change a lot of the perceptions that were out there. ... [Whomever general manager] Garth [Snow]

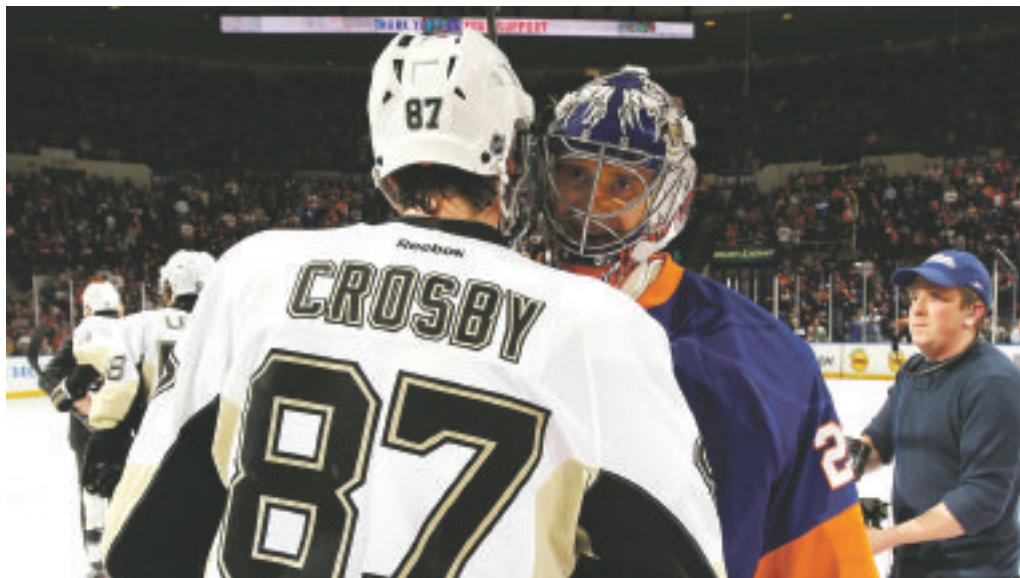
and the organization approaches, we've got a great thing going here and it's a great time to be part of the New York Islanders."

Organizational decision-makers have been unequivocal about their plan to rebuild the franchise from within. Already, there are pieces in place. Tavares is a Hart Trophy fi-

nalist. Kyle Okposo began to play the power-forward game which made him the seventh-overall pick in the 2006 draft.

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Sore losers

Ovechkin bashes refs

Alex Ovechkin made it clear the Rangers had more than just Henrik Lundqvist on their side in beating his Capitals in the opening round. They had the referees too.



"I don't know whether the refs were predisposed against us or the league," Ovechkin told reporters. "But to not give obvious penalties [against the Rangers], while for us

any little thing was immediately penalized."

Ovechkin singled out Game 6 specifically, when the Rangers were called for no penalties during the game. In the series, the Rangers had 40 penalty minutes while Washington had 74. **METRO**

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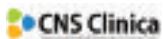
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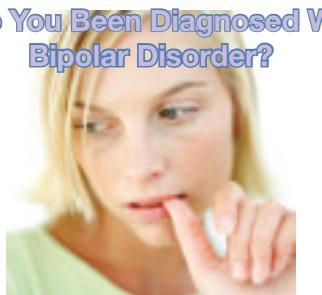
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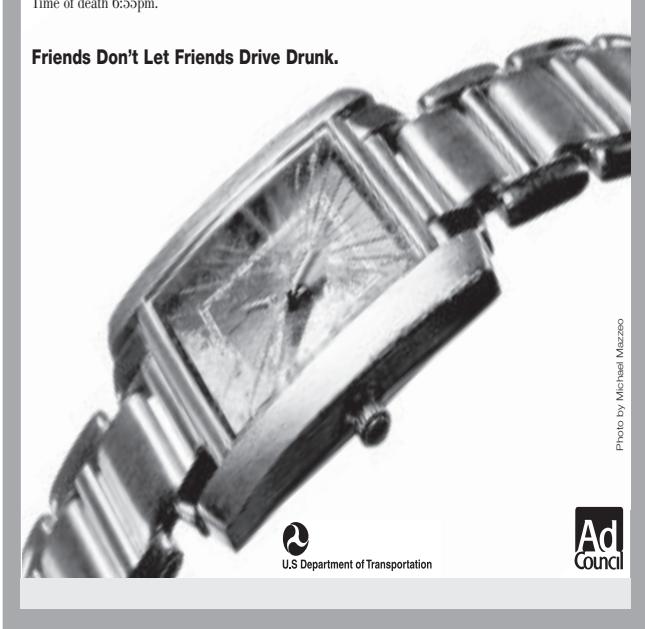
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